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Attached for filing is the patent application of:

Inventor: MIZUKI et al.

Entitled: SEMICONDUCTOR FILM AND METHOD OF FORMING THE SAME, AND SEMICONDUCTOR
DEVICE AND DISPLAY APPARATUS USING THE SEMICONDUCTOR FILM

and including attachments as noted below:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☒ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract
☐ Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:
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39 pages of specification and claims (including 12 numbered claims), and
5 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.

- ☐ Record the attached assignment to _____, _____ and return to the undersigned.
☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.
☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:

| Application Number | Country | Day/Month/Year Filed |
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| 2002-005403 | Japan | 11/January/2002 |
| 2002-270726 | Japan | 17/September/2002 |

, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.

- ☐ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.
☒ Certified copy(ies) filed on March 5, 2003 in prior appln. no. 10/294,760 filed Nov. 15, 2002
☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.
☒ This application is a ☐ continuation/☒ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/294,760, filed November 15, 2002, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.
☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.
☒ The prior application is assigned to Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha, Osaka, Japan.
☒ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein.
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.
☒ Please enter the attached preliminary amendment **prior** to calculation of filing fee:

- ☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449; ☐ Other:

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| Independent claims | 1 | - 3 (at least 3) = | 0 | x \$ 86.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$290.00 (ignore improper) | | | | \$ | 0.00 |
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